

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LODI
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
JANUARY 30, 1963

A regularly adjourned meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi was held beginning at 8:30 p.m. of Wednesday, January 30, 1963. Councilmen Brown, Culbertson, Dow, Ullmann and Katzakian (Mayor) present. None absent.

Also present: City Manager Graves, Planning Director Rodgers, City Attorney Mullen and Superintendent of Recreation and Parks DeBenedetti.

CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM


PARKS

The City Manager reviewed the functions of the recreation and parks program, which he said was considered as good as the State average. He said the Recreation Commission had established standards and adopted a master plan for park sites. He gave a brief explanation of the various types of parks, particularly the neighborhood parks. Ideally, such parks should be developed in conjunction with schools in order to take advantage of school playground facilities. The City Council discussed the problem of obtaining park sites and providing facilities for varied age groups. The City Manager stressed the importance of long range planning and the acquisition of park sites before the land is developed. The City Manager pointed out what a wonderful asset the areas along the river would be as natural park areas and expressed the hope that the City would eventually be able to obtain at least some portion of such areas for public use. He also mentioned the possibility of using ponding areas as parks in the event the City adopted ponding as a part of its storm drainage system.

STADIUM

The Council then reviewed the status of the Stadium. The wooden seats, underpinnings and walkways require considerable repairs each year, but nevertheless will have to be replaced eventually. The Recreation Department is recommending a program for the conversion of the wooden structures to concrete. The fencing and ramps are also in very poor condition and the lighting is getting worse. It is urgent that the wiring and transformers be replaced. The ten-year capital improvement program for the Recreation and Parks Department has been revised from \$409,700 to \$553,800 to include improvements to the Stadium which had originally been scheduled for the second half of a twenty-year program. The Council also discussed the use of the Stadium and the amount of revenue derived therefrom.

There being no further business, the Council adjourned.


Attest: BEATRICE GARIBALDI
City Clerk